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Notice of Public Closure

Duck Pond Fire Area Closure Order #COG02000-23-01 For BLM managed lands in Eagle County, Colorado

Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is giving notice that BLM lands in Eagle County within the area of the Duck Pond Fire as described below are temporarily closed to all unauthorized entry. Please also see attached map.

This emergency closure is necessary to ensure public safety due to the remaining threat from danger trees killed by the Duck Pond Fire. The order is effective immediately and will remain in effect until the danger trees are taken down or until this order is rescinded.

<u>Closure Area Description:</u> This closure includes all BLM lands in the Gypsum Day Use Area (adjacent to but <u>not</u> including the Gypsum Campground) burned/affected by the Duck Pond Fire area (see map). This area is west of the town of Gypsum, Colorado.

Prohibited Acts:

1. You must not enter or use BLM lands described in this order.

<u>Exemptions</u>: The following persons are exempt from this order: Federal, state, and local officers and employees in the performance of their official duties; members of organized rescue or fire-fighting forces in the performance of their official duties; and persons with written authorization from the BLM.

<u>Penalties:</u> Any person who violates the above rules and/or restriction may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined no more than \$1,000, imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to the enhanced fines provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571

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